

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 754

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Kara Skjoldager, 2012
Valedictorian of Central High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Kara Skjoldager is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2012 graduating class at Central High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Kara has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Skjoldager has earned an exemplary 5.19 grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including Yearbook, Student Council, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Bridge Builders, soccer, and running; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, Kara Skjoldager has endeavored to serve her fellow citizens through volunteer work with St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Methodist Hospital, Manna House Foot Clinic, and Trinity UMC Youth Group and participation in the 30 Hour Famine, mission trips to a Native American Reservation, and the Race to Erase Racism; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her singular academic achievements, Kara was named a *Commercial Appeal* Academic All Star, National Merit Commended Scholar, and AP Scholar with Honor; received the Yale Book Award; and was included in the Principal's List and William H. Sweet All A's; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Skjoldager's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as she pursues a double major in Biology and Women's and Gender Studies and enters the medical field as a physician; and

WHEREAS, Kara Skjoldager's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her mother, Elizabeth Streete, her father, Paul Skjoldager, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Kara's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2012 Central High School Valedictorian, Kara Skjoldager, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.